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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

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WHEREAS, the National Black Police Association (NBPA) and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) are committed to the professional growth and development of its members and the police industry; and

WHEREAS, NBPA was founded in August 1972, and shortly thereafter, NOBLE was founded in September 1976 during a three-day symposium to address crime in urban low income areas; and

WHEREAS, 60 top-ranking Black law enforcement executives, representing 24 states, and 55 major cities, gathered in Washington, D.C. to exchange views about the critically high rate of crime in Black urban communities; and

WHEREAS, NBPA and NOBLE's mission is to unify the considerable impacts of the Black law enforcement officers on the major problems of crime and delinquency in metropolitan areas; and

WHEREAS, NBPA and NOBLE provide Black law enforcement executives with the opportunity to interact and exchange ideas and opinions about law enforcement issues and to discuss their individual leadership roles; and

WHEREAS, together they work to develop strategies for the elimination of racism in the field of criminal justice with the community; to get greater involvement and cooperation with criminal justice agencies; and to have a positive impact on the urban crime and violence; and

WHEREAS, NBPA and NOBLE have been in the forefront supporting the development and implementation of fundamental law enforcement policies and procedures that enhance the profession's response to the needs of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, today, NBPA's membership has escalated to over 35,000 members consisting of police officers, detectives, sergeants, and lieutenants, and NOBLE's membership has increased to over 2,700 members, including police chiefs, sheriffs, and command-level officers and others who support NOBLE's goals; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, commends the National Black Police Association and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives for recognizing that only through the unity and diversity of Black Law enforcement throughout America can we effectively pave the way for the future of African-American youth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that April 24 through 26, 1997 be and are hereby proclaimed to be "**National Black Police Association and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Days**" in The City of San Diego.

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